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## ONCE DREAD RAIDER DIES TUESDAY

### Colonel John Mosby, Confederate Leader of Mosby's Men in War.

Washington, D. C., May 30.—Colonel John Mosby died this morning at Garfield hospital. He had been critically ill since Sunday, with a complication of diseases.

Colonel Mosby, the sponsor of "Mosby's Men" and one of the last of the dashing figures of the Civil war, was the originator of the Mosby method of warfare; to use only picked men and to make each man seem a hundred. So dangerous was he to the North that he was declared an outlaw and at first denied the right of surrender at the end of the war.

Later he practiced law until he was made consul at Hong Kong. On his return in 1885, he was put on the legal staff of the Southern Pacific in San Francisco. He resigned and took a place in the general land office, investigating land frauds. In 1905 he entered the department of justice as special attorney.

## HIGH CLASS MUSIC COMING FROM BURNS

Burns has a community orchestra that is so unusual they wish to give neighboring cities the benefits and will appear at the Dreamland Thursday evening, June 8.

The orchestra presents the popular songs of the nation with classic selections and operatic overtures.

## READY FOR THE HEAVY STEEL GANG

The railroad men are expecting the new steel here most any day for the line to Vale. They will lay new ninety pound steel, commencing at the depot here and going out on the branch.

The work of extending the passing track 1000 feet should start soon. The tubing for the culvert has arrived and the crew is expected along most any day.

## DO NOT FORGET THE BAND CONCERT

The band concerts are getting better crowds each evening and the players are giving the people a better program each evening. The solo on the bells by Shimek was well received last week and the solo by James Smith this week will meet with favor. The program follows:

- March Comic—"Big Ben" by Thos. Allen.
- Concert Waltz—"Inspiration" by H. C. Miller.
- Overture—"Triumphal," by Chas. Rockwell.
- Duet—"Romance," two cornets, by F. H. Looy—Mr. Shimek and Mr. Turner.
- Vocal Solo—"Memories," by Nan Alstein—Mr. James Smith, soloist.
- March—"True Tones," by Clay Smith.
- Patrol—"Indian Girl," by Lowenstein.
- March—"Red, White and Blue," by Barnhouse.
- "Star Spangled Banner."

## THE W. C. T. U. HOLD MEET

The W. C. T. U. will hold their next regular social and business meeting at the Congregational church June 6. The program will be along flower mission lines. The members will respond at roll call with the name of their favorite flower.

Those wishing may give flower vases to be donated to the hospital June 9, when a bouquet will be given each patient.

## JUSTICE HUGHES IS STILL THE FAVORITE

Justice Charles E. Hughes of New York continues to be the favorite in the republican presidential contest, although he still lacks the assured support of the necessary number of delegates to make his nomination certain.

There seems no likelihood that a nomination will come on the first ballot at Chicago, because of the large number of favorite sons, and the pledges that have been made by uninstructed delegates. But it seems certain that after the first ballot, some of the favorite sons will either withdraw, or see their support quickly scatter, with a possibility that the nomination may come on the second ballot.

Since the Oregon primary, on May 19, favorite son stock has taken a tremendous slump. Today there is not one among all the favorite sons, who shows any signs of adding materially to his strength after the first ballot; rather, the indication is the other way.

The attempt to check the Hughes tide has thus far met with no success. The great difficulty of the anti-Hughes men is to find a candidate who can command the support of all delegates whose first choice is some other candidate than Hughes. No such man has developed, and what is equally important, Hughes is the second choice, and frequently the actual personal preference of many delegates now instructed to support favorite sons.

The talk is strong that Cummins, realizing that he is out of it, will withdraw in favor of Hughes after the first ballot, and perhaps before the result of the first ballot is announced. Some of Senator Cummins' closest friends at Washington predict that he will make an early jump onto the Hughes bandwagon.

If Cummins does this, he likely will start a stampede, for in the Chicago convention will be a host of southern delegates who, at heart, have no particular preference, who are of the "bandwagon" type. The bandwagon delegates keeps his ear close to the ground, and when he detects a particularly ominous rumble, he is quick to jump in the direction from which the sound comes.

## GONE TO NOMINATE NEXT PRESIDENT

W. H. Brooke started Sunday for the Republican convention. He wanted to be on the grounds in time to see all the fire works. Mr. Brooke will support Hughes on the first ballot, but will feel free to go to any one after that.

## ALFALFA ABOUT READY FOR CUTTING

Henry Stark, who lives in Idaho, near the Big Bend, was here Monday on business. He said that his alfalfa would be ready to cut soon as the weather settles. The new growth has started. The first cutting will be about half the usual crop.

## FRUITLAND FARMER IS VICTIM OF ASSAULT

Payette, May 31.—L. E. Surber was seriously injured yesterday two miles east of Fruitland during an altercation with E. K. Hansen. The two men had had some trouble over irrigation water, but the dispute apparently had been settled. Yesterday morning they went together to the check gate to examine it. It is alleged that while Surber was stooping over the gate he was struck in the back of the head by Hansen, who used an irrigating shovel as his weapon. Surber was taken to his home three miles east of Fruitland and medical aid was summoned. He was unconscious most of the day. Today he was conscious but bleeding freely from one ear. His physician cannot yet tell the extent of his injuries.

## THE OLD SOLDIERS ARE KINDLY REMEMBERED

Memorial day was fittingly observed here Tuesday.

The exercises opened in the morning with a flag drill and patriotic songs by a company of young ladies, who presented all the old soldiers in line with a bouquet. This was a very pleasing feature.

Autos were provided for all who cared to go to the cemetery where the graves were decorated and a poem was read by Frank Winston dedicated to the unknown dead.

After returning to the city an elaborate spread was given all who cared to participate in Odd Fellows hall. The old soldiers seemed to appreciate this feature.

In the afternoon the main exercises were held in the Dreamland theatre.

Mayor Homan acted as chairman of the meeting, music was furnished by the band in front of the theatre and by a choir in the building. Rev. Baker invoked the divine blessing and Rev. Koenig made the principal address.

A roll call was held and the old

soldiers made short talks, especially G. L. King and Ed. Davaran. Most of them told of their many experiences during the war. Some of the soldiers were in the southern army and others in the northern.

Among those who responded were: Griffin, Taylor, Moore, Millikin, King, Barton, Thompson, Springer, Macgregor, Lowe, Bachman, Rutherford, Blanton, Berry and Simpson.

The girls who participated in the flag drill were: Edith Raver, Mary Messee, Charlotte Clagett, Mary Berwin, Lela Buckner, Ruth Lampkin, Gladys Franklin, Rubie Hunt, Villa Cronin, Rose Bender, Etta McCreight, Lydia Fields, Ruth McCulloch, Deere Dearborn, Dotty Crummett.

The Ontario band was on for a splendid concert in the morning before the regular exercises and again in the afternoon in front of the theatre. These concerts were much appreciated.

The ladies who had charge of the exercises are entitled to much credit for the arrangement.

## PERSONALS FROM THE HOSPITAL

The many friends of H. D'Armond and L. B. Scott will be pleased to know that they left the hospital the 29th for their homes in Vale.

Mrs. David McDonald left for her home in Beulah with her baby boy.

Ray Rambo is fast recovering from a severe case of scarlet fever.

Miss Minnie Leigh of Parma was operated on for appendicitis on the 17th and is recovering rapidly.

Mrs. E. Bradley expects to leave for her home in Parma in a few days.

Mrs. B. C. Glaze and Mrs. Geo. Lint of Weiser are improving rapidly after undergoing operations.

F. J. Clemo is fast recovering.

J. C. Keisay expects to leave for his home in Westfall in the near future.

Mr. Bosart is still in a very low condition.

Mrs. Effie Johnson of Westfall is improving and will leave for her home in a few days.

Thos. Crawford of Vale returned to the hospital and his condition is critical.

This month there were 40 patients received at the hospital, two births and one death. Nineteen are in the hospital at the present time.

The sisters wish to extend thanks for the following donations:

- Mr. Prichard of Fruitland, lard.
- Jean McCoy, box dainties.
- Mrs. Crummet, rheubarb.
- Judge Brown, apples.

## JIM HILL GATHERED TO HIS FATHERS

James J. Hill died at his home in St. Paul, Monday morning after a short illness.

More than 5000 persons paid tearful tribute at the bier Tuesday.

J. M. Gruber, operating vice president of the Great Northern railway, was the first to enter the Summit avenue mansion where the body lay in a plain black casket on a white pedestal. Just behind him was Harry Keltner, a section hand.

And so it went. Bankers, railway officials and men and women from all walks of life filed through the mansion and past the bier in the shrouded semi-darkness of the drawing room.

Gray-haired veterans, many of whom had seen the great northwest spring up under Mr. Hill's touch, broke into tears as the silent line wended its way past the casket.

Paused for Funeral. Wednesday all St. Paul paused for five minutes in its work-a-day activities to pay homage to Mr. Hill's memory.

Throughout the northwest country the trains of his road, the Great Northern paused for the same length of time, while the Burlington and Northern Pacific systems paid similar homage.

The result was a five-minute tribute from St. Paul to the Pacific in which thousands of employes and friends shared.

## GOVERNMENT REPORT ON IRRIGATION

The United States reclamation service in co-operation with the state of Oregon, have issued a very complete report covering the Malheur and Owyhee irrigation projects. The report is favorable and covers every detail that might possibly occur.

The Owyhee project covers about 23,000 acres of land, including the lands under the Shoestring ditch and the cost would be about sixty dollars an acre. This is considered prohibitive at present, but when lands become scarce and the rate of interest reduced it is thought it can be made a good commercial proposition.

For the Malheur project there would be about thirty thousand acres and the cost would run from \$21 to \$60. This would include the drainage and allow for some pumping units.

The owners of the lands under the Warm Springs reservoir project held an election last week and decided to organize an irrigation district.

## ALFALFA WILL COM- MAND GOOD PRICE

Farmers who are in a hurry to sell their 1916 hay crop may regret their haste when too late. The Idaho state department of farm markets on Wednesday issued a warning to farmers that prices now being offered for the 1916 hay crop are not as much as is in prospect for the man who waits for a later bid. The department asks that farmers refuse to contract further until a survey of the crop in prospect is made.

The cold weather will reduce the first cutting to little more than half an average crop and the demand is going to be above normal as the feeders have found that it does not pay to half feed animals at the present prices.

## PROMINENT CAPITAL- IST VISITS CITY

Edward E. Ayer and wife were here last week from Chicago, in a Locomobile. They left Chicago several months ago and have been in Arizona and the lower country and are now going home for the summer. Mr. Ayer is one of the Ayer pill family, a multi-millionaire, and is quite prominent in Chicago, where he is connected with the Field Museum and other public institutions. He traveled over 60,000 miles in Europe and Africa and about half that in this country.

## GOING AFTER A GOOD PLACE

From the official organ of the student body of the University of Oregon, namely the "Oregon Emerald," comes the news that Sprague Adam, one of the graduates of the local high school now completing his education in that institution has his hat in the ring for president of the sophomore class for the coming year.

Considering that the sophomore class is one of the largest classes in school and that the school is the largest in the state of Oregon, the honor for which Sprague is competing and will in all probability get is in no way a small one, and his friends here are proud of him as a representative from this place.

## ONTARIO STUDENTS GET APPOINTMENTS

The Willamette University at Salem has been giving out one scholarship each year to a member of each high school in the state. This year they have designated Neva Billingsley as the one entitled to it from the Ontario high school.

Edgar Draper, who graduates from Washington University this year, has been awarded a scholarship in the New York University.

## HEAVIEST FLOW OF GAS FOUND MONDAY NOON

### Drilling Is Being Continued In Effort to Locate Parent Gas Sand.

The last flow of gas to be reported comes at the 7th level in the Plumb and was struck today at noon just as the drillers were quitting for the noon meal. This is the heaviest flow yet encountered and registers higher than any of the previous strikes. It was not kept capped to ascertain the amount of pressure that might accumulate but was left wide open and the flow did not decrease any nor lower the registration on the steam gauge. The water from a sand higher up was kept flowing over the top of the pipe with occasional spurts which threw it several feet into the air.

This last strike is not from a gas sand however, but only another fissure tapped. It is proof that another gas sand exists somewhere lower down as it could not possibly come from the sand above. This makes the seventh distinct gas vein that has been tapped in the entire 472 feet, the present depth of the well.

In the last few feet a fine sand almost black has been found which might predict almost anything. A coarser sand is expected within a few more feet.

A flow was struck Saturday with an accumulated pressure of 125 pounds, or about 50 pounds more than was found in the 8-foot vein of gas sand on the 425 level.

Drilling is continuing at this time.—Monday's Weiser Signal.

## PORTLAND LIVE STOCK MARKET REPORT

(From Monday's Reporter.)  
Steer trade started out rather early today and native Californians went at the usual price they had been bringing for the past week or two. Heavy weights from \$8.35 to \$8.50. The Mexicans were considered to be of extra quality and brought exceptionally good prices for their class; \$8.00 was realized for the bulk. Other steers sold steady. Offerings were sharply curtailed.

Receipts took a sudden jump today with nearly 5,000 hogs ready for the buyer. This is the largest Monday receipts for some weeks, being almost as large as all of last week's offerings on this market. Early reports indicate a lower market in the Eastern hog circles. Bidders were not inclined on account of the rather large supply to open the deal this morning in an active way. Market did not get under full swing until late.

After the buyers and sellers got together a much lower trading level was established. Up to noon \$8.85 was the top, with bulk around a dime under last week's close.

Grover Brothers shipped three car loads last week from this section and Fred Bailey one car.

## SOME SCAB IN GRANT COUNTY

John Day, May 25.—Dr. W. B. Henneburger, government stock inspector, found scab in one band of sheep at Dayville belonging to Mrs. Donald McDonald. The sheep were placed in quarantine and ordered dipped.

## PASSING OF EARLY SETTLER

William Mink died at the hospital Monday morning after a short illness and the funeral was held Thursday.

Mr. Mink was a resident of Ontario for many years and assisted materially in building up the community.

His mother, a brother and four sons survive.

Adam Murray was in this week from the interior. He says the range is very badly crowded this year and that some of the bands will go hungry. Many of the sheep are from outside of the county and owned by foreigners.



On Saturday evening at Dreamland Ina Clare will appear in "The Puppet Crown" a romance of a Princess.